Besides, Central Govemment is implementing scheme during 2001 -2002 on integrated development of Horticulture in Tribal/Hilly areas under which a project with an outlay of Rs. 147.29 lakhs has been sanctioned for implementation in DAHOD and PANCHMAHAL District of Gujarat. The scheme includes Root and Tuber crops.

The state Government of Gujarat is implementing scheme on Root and Tuber Crops for which an outlay of Rs. 10.56 lakhs has been made for the year 2001-2002 for transfer of Technology, Training of Farmers and adoption of Integrated Pest Management etc. in growing Root and Tuber crops.

Reviewing Agricultural Subsidies

2069. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:
SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) how far the agricultural subsidies provided by the Central Govemment have benefited the farming community *vis-a-vis* agricultural sector as a whole;

(b) whether Govemment propose to review the same and plan for providing WTO compatible subsidies to agricultural products;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) by when such subsidies are likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) and (b)The agricultural subsidies provided by the Central Govt, have benefited substantially the agricultural sector and the farming community. However, it is not feasible to quantify such benefits. The subsidies being provided are compatible with WTO.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

MSP for Crops

t2070. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Govemment are contemplating to fix Minimum Support Price for major crops as per the market trend;

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†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.